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MEMORANDUM MEMO #0167

TO: All DIDD Providers

**Regional Directors** 

FROM: Thomas Cheetham, M.D., Director, Office of Health Services

DATE: June 12, 2012

SUBJECT: Provider Manual Chapter 11: Health Management and Oversight

Subsequent to the statewide roll-out of chapter 11 a large number of providers reported that implementing Red Cross compliant first aid kits would result in increased materials and labor costs. In addition, Red Cross compliant kits contain medications that expire quickly and require physician orders prior to administration.

Pursuant to the Director of the Office of Health Services, providers shall implement first aid kits that are compliant with standards set forth by the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (reference 29 CFR 1910.266 App A).

The following list sets forth the minimally acceptable number and type of first aid supplies for first aid kits:

- 1. Gauze pads (at least 4 x 4 inches)
- 2. Two large gauze pads (at least 8 x 10 inches)
- 3. Box adhesive bandages (such as Band-Aids® or equivalent)
- 4. One package gauze roller bandage at least 2 inches wide
- 5. Two triangular bandages or equivalent
- 6. Wound cleaning agent such as sealed moistened towelettes
- 7. Scissors
- 8. At least one blanket
- 9. Tweezers
- 10. Adhesive tape
- 11. Latex gloves
- 12. Resuscitation equipment such as resuscitation bag, airway, or pocket mask
- 13. Two elastic wraps
- 14. Splint
- 15. Directions for requesting emergency assistance

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